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In re Patent Application of: Ganga R. Gokaraju et al.

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Art Unit: N/A

For: NOVEL TRIPLE MINERAL SALTS OF (-)-

HYDROXY CITRIC ACID AND PROCESSES

FOR PREPARING THE SAME

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

MS PCT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Notification Of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 In The United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) mailed on March 10, 2006.

The Notification contends that the Oath or Declaration of the inventors does not comply with 37 C.F.R. §1.497(a) and (b) in that no documents are available for application/publication on the online public file inspection system.

A copy of this Notification is provided along with this Response as ATTACHMENT A.

Withdrawal of the Notification is respectfully requested at least for the following reasons.

The application papers deposited with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on February 22, 2005 include the presence of a Declaration for Utility or Design

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Patent Application. This Declaration for Utility or Design Patent Application properly identifies PCT International Application Number PCT/IN04/00056, having a filing date of March 9, 2004.

A copy of the Declaration for Utility or Design Patent Application is provided along with this Response as ATTACHMENT B.

The World Intellectual Property Organization website provides documents that are available for application/publication on the online public file inspection system. Specifically, these documents *may be readily ascertained* at: http://www.wipo.int/pctdb/en/search.jsp.

The Notification requests either an RO 101 form or the International Publication for PCT/IN04/00056.

In response, a copy of the International Publication obtained from the World Intellectual Property Organization website is provided along with this Response as ATTACHMENT C.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the Notification Of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 In The United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) is respectfully requested.

<u>No fee</u> is believed required. If any fee is required or any overpayment made, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee or credit the overpayment to Deposit Account # 18-0013.

Dated: April 27, 2006

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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 02/22/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 02/22/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 02/22/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 02/22/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 02/22/2005
- Small Entity Statement filed on 02/22/2005
- Reguest for Immediate Examination filed on 02/22/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 02/22/2005
- Assignment filed on 02/22/2005

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - NO DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR APPLICATION/PUBLICATION ON THE ONLINE PUBLIC FILE INSPCTION SYSTEM. NEED RO 101 FORM OR THE INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATION FOR INO4/00056.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION. WHICHEVER IS LATER, FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions

of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.

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